Thursday, March 27, 2008

Community Court RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 10

Subject: Approve Contract Amendment No. 3 to the Interlocal Agreement with Austin/Travis County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center for the provision of treatment services for certain Class B enhanced public intoxication offenders for Project Recovery in an amount not to exceed \$423,040.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$423,040 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Approved Operating Budget for this program for Community Court.

For More Information: Greg Toomey, Community Court Administrator, 974-2626

Prior Council Action: Original Interlocal Agreement approved June 2, 2006; Amendment No. 1 approved November 8, 2007 and Amendment No. 2 approved January 31, 2008.

Project Recovery, providing treatment services for certain Class B enhanced public intoxication offenders, opened its door in August 2006. The program is administered by MHMR with oversight by the Downtown Austin Community Court. The program began in cooperation with the Travis County Attorney, County Court at Law judges, MHMR, Travis County, and the Community Court. Project Recovery is a 90-day residential treatment facility for substance abuse treatment and mental health support. Clients are given life skills training and every effort is made to secure long term housing and employment for those individuals successfully completing the treatment cycle.

The City of Austin has appropriated \$423,040 for the current fiscal year. Travis County has appropriated \$150,527.